Appln. No. 09/944,423 Response to Final Rejection dated October 16, 2003 Reply to Office Action of October 6, 2003

## REMARKS

Applicants amend Claims 1 and 10 to remove the forward slash from "poly/vinyl chloride" and "poly/vinylidene chrorilde". They do so in response to the Examiners' suggestion that the forward slash is a typographical error. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendment does not constitute new matter or change the scope of Claims 1 and 10.

Applicants also amend Claim 1 to insert -- blend of a – after "a" in line 2 and – non-hydrogenated – after "additional" in line 15. Support for adding "blend" to line 2 stems from a number of locations including page 20, line 26 and page 42, lines 6-7 and 17-26. Support for adding "non-hydrogenated" to line 15 has roots is the Application as a whole and, in particular, in original Claim 5, page 16, line 3 through page 17, line 10, page 37, lines 20-25, page 39, lines 21-27, page 40, lines 1-6, page 43, lines 14-20, and Examples 1-18 and 23-25. Applicants respectfully contend that the amendments do not constitute new matter. The amendments simply clarify, but do not change the scope of the claims as written prior to the current amendments.

The amendments presented herein do not generate any additional fees. If Applicants err in this belief, please charge the appropriate fees to Deposit Account 04-1512.

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